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## REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-9 as follows:

(A copy of the marked-up version of the amended claims are attached to this Reply).

- 1. (Amended) A semiconductor pressure sensor, comprising:
- a substrate,
- a diaphragm formed on said substrate by a sacrificial layer etching method, and